

said child having appeared on the said day, filed for said hearing, and having the written consent of the next friend, heard the testimony of the petitioners.

Now therefore, the Court, doth by virtue of the act of the Legislature of the laws of 1902 order, adjudge and decree that the prayer of the said petitioners be and the same is hereby granted, and the Court doth hereby declare and adjudge that from the date of this decree that the rights, duties, privileges and relations heretofore existing between the said Elsie M. Weidner and her parents, shall be in all respects at an end, excepting the right of inheritance, and further that the rights, duties, privileges and relations between the said Elsie M. Weidner and the said Howard G. Blackwood and Helena E. Blackwood, her parents by adoption, are and shall henceforth be the same, including the right of inheritance, as if the said Elsie M. Weidner had been born to her said adopted parents in lawful wedlock, and that the name of said child shall be Elsie Mabel Blackwood.

Done in Open Court this 15th day of May, 1906.
E. A. Higbee
Judge.

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Emanuel B. Shaver,
Surrogate.

Atlantic County Orphans Court.

In the matter of the petition of John M. Auld, et ux for the adoption of Mamie Weidner } Consent of Friend.

Whereas the Orphans Court of the County of Atlantic did by an order made on the 4th day of May 1906 in a certain proceeding in said Court depending upon the application of John M. Auld and Susanna D. Auld for leave to adopt Mamie Weidner, a minor child, appointed Anna E. Mergel of the City of Atlantic City, next friend of the said Mamie Weidner for the purposes set forth in "An act concerning minors, their adoption, custody and maintenance, Revision of 1902" approved April 2-1902 and the supplements thereto and amendments thereof; and whereas I have inquired into the matter and have heard the examination of the witnesses taken before the Court and am satisfied that it is for the best interest of said minor child that she should be adopted by the said John M. Auld and Susanna D. Auld under the provisions of said act, now therefore I, the said Anna E. Mergel next friend, by appointment of the said Mamie Weidner minor child, do hereby consent to her adoption by the said John M. Auld and Susanna D. Auld, and to change her name to Mamie M. Auld.

Given under my hand and seal this Eighteenth day of May, 1906.
Anna E. Mergel.

State of New Jersey } ss.
Atlantic County }

Be it remembered that on this Eighteenth day of May 1906 before me the subscriber a Master in Chancery of New Jersey personally appeared Anna E. Mergel who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing consent, and I having first made known to her the contents thereof, she acknowledged that she signed, sealed and delivered the same as her voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed, all of which is hereby certified.

E. A. Higbee

M. C. C. J.

Atlantic County Orphans Court.

In the matter of the application of John M. Auld et ux, for permission to adopt Mamie Weidner, a minor child. } Decree.

Whereas, John M. Auld and Susanna D. Auld, his wife, on the 11th day of May A. D. 1906, presented their petition to the Court setting forth that they reside in the City of Atlantic City, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the said John M. Auld is a carpenter, that the said John M. Auld is 46 years of age and the said Susanna D. Auld is 45 years of age, and that they desire to adopt Mamie Weidner, a minor child aged four years who resides with the said petitioners. That the parents of said child were Daniel F. Weidner and Annie M. Weidner, who are both deceased; and the said child having no legal guardian to consent to its adoption by the said petitioners the Court on the 11th day of May, 1906 appointed Anna Mergel, as